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December 2, 2020

Dear Anthony G. Bryant:

This email is to acknowledge that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina has received your Letter of Protest. Please be advised that your Letter of Protest will be placed in the Protest File of the Docket listed below and on the Commission's Website at www.psc.sc.gov.

Docket No. 2020-125-E - Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. for Adjustment of Rates and Charges (See Commission Order No. 2020-313)

A Protestant is an individual objecting on the ground of private or public interest to the approval of an Application, Petition, Motion or other matters which the Commission may have under consideration. A Protestant may offer sworn testimony but cannot cross-examine witnesses offered by other parties.

According to the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, filing a Protest does not make you a Party of Record. A Protestant desiring to become an Intervenor (i.e., a Party of Record) in a proceeding before the Commission may file a Petition for Intervention within the time prescribed by the Commission.

You can follow this Docket and other daily filings made at the Commission by subscribing to the Commission's Email Subscriptions at: https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Email; or you may follow specifically Docket No. 2020-125-E at: https://dms.psc.sc.gov/Web/Dockets/Detail/117462.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

**Becky Latimer** 

November 30, 2020

Clerk's Office

South Carolina Public Service Commission

**101 Executive Center** 

Columbia South Carolina 29210

Re Docket Number 2020-12 E Dominion Energy Rate Increase

I Anthony G Bryant submit this public comment to the South Carolina Public Service Commission regarding a Notice of a rate increase request by Dominion Energy under the Procedure of a Public Hearing based upon approval, approval with condition, and/or denial by the South Carolina Public Service Commission. Under Federal Trade Commission Act 2007-2008 Protecting Children in the 212st Century upon South Carolina Public Service Commission receiving federal financial assistance under the CARES ACT regarding Title I Protecting Children II Deleting Online Predators, III Children's List broker Privacy requires a Public Hearing prior to South Carolina Department of Education allowed Virtual Learning under the guidance of Attorney General of the United States and Attorney General of South Carolina that can file a complaint under section 303 Administration and Enforcement and Section 304 Actions by States within United States District Court of South Carolina ( Bryant v South Carolina Public Service Commission, Bryant v Attorney General of United States, Bryant v Attorney General of South Carolina ) due the fact that United States House of Representative and United States Senate did not provide under the Administrative Procedure Act of 1946 a Public Comment period under the CARES ACT. Anthony G Bryant made public comment in 2012 regarding SCANA rate increase as well 2018 regarding merger between SCANA and Dominion Energy not knowing I was a victim of Identity Theft Notice Internal Revenue Service referred to Federal Trade Commission and three credit bureaus as a result of the public comment South Carolina Attorney General settled and received \$75 million dollars in legal. fees in addition to \$ 75 million from a federal agency during COVID 19 at \$75 million dollars an approximate total of \$ 150 million in legal fees. Moreover a public comment was made by Anthony G Bryant in 2013 regarding Housing and Urban Development Grant to the State of South Carolina lead state agency South Carolina Department of Commerce regarding conflicts in need based criteria for example a Corporation received a tax incentive but the County in which the Tier method was established for the incentive to produce Economic Development netted a \$ 50 million dollars lost from it's annual budget while United States Department of Commerce census tract are used as a need criteria is undermined every ten years in growing Cities and Counties leaving many paying 30 percent of their earned income on rent with 70 percent of discretionary income being negotiated do to COVID 19 many are subjected to Housing and Urban Development criteria of At Risk Homeless, Homeless, and Chronically Homeless. In addition to Army Corp of Engineers was allocated \$ 3 million dollars from the Federal Government to conduct a study on the impact of flooding within the City of Charleston for the

record I Anthony G Bryant made public comment April 1, 2020 at the height of COVID 19 the City of Charleston made a commitment to match 35 percent of the cost of a Mitigation Plan for flooding toward the estimated cost of \$ 1 billion dollars now in 2021 Budget the City of Charleston has a deficit of 18 percent did they City of Charleston make a False Claim to the Federal Government? Dominion Energy has made grants available for Not for Profit within the City of Charleston discounting a local Ordinance since the 1930's during a time of Jim Crow Laws, Neighborhoods agreements that prevented non-whites from purchasing home fortified by the 1937 Wagner Steagall Act were the City of Charleston has received federal funding establishing Housing Authorities mandated to ensure that New Deal housing programs for Americans to become permanent after the Great Depression the local ordinance provided for the Planning Commission to have significant power regarding land use based on this historic premise and the present Mayor supported maintaining these land use policies supported by a Legal: 🛶 🦛 – Opinion by our present Attorney General. Based upon the United States Senate Campaign costing around \$100 million dollars with a State Budget about over \$2 Billion I guess direct lobbyist will again decide the fate of those suffering under the unintended consequences of impacts of COVID 19 and since this States is controlled by Free Market Republicans why cannot I have competition for my energy service? Sorry for the misspelled words, single space, and improper page alignments.

Respectfully Submitted

Anthony G Bryant

Charleston South Carolina 29403

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## State of South Carolina Department of Revenue



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Charleston, SG

RE: SCDOR Data Breach

Dear South Carolina Taxpayer:

As you may know, tax data at the South Carolina Department of Revenue (SCDOR) was compromised due to a recent security breach. Immediately upon discovering the data breach, new technology and policy protections were implemented at SCDOR to prevent further information exposure. We are writing you today, first, to confirm that — as an electronic tax filer — your tax information was compromised and, second, to encourage you to take immediate steps to protect yourself against identity theft. A forensic analysis of the SCDOR's database revealed that information compromised in this breach included any South Carolina state tax returns filed electronically by businesses or individuals since 1998. The tax information that was compromised includes social security numbers of you and your dependents, if you claimed dependents on a tax return, and your bank account number only if you provided a bank account number on your electronic return(s). If your bank account number was compromised, you should regularly review your monthly bank account statement and your account online, and contact your bank immediately if you see any unexplained charges.

We encourage you to take advantage of the free one year identity theft protection service provided by the State of South Carolina. This service is offered by Experian's ProtectMyID® Alert program and includes identity theft resolution services that do not expire, a free credit report, daily credit monitoring across three credit bureaus to detect any suspicious activity, and an identity theft insurance policy, including coverage of electronic fund transfers from your bank account, worth up to a million dollars. SCDOR is also providing protection services for your minor dependents under Experian's Family Secure® program.

Please register for these services by visiting <a href="www.protectmyid.com/scdor">www.protectmyid.com/scdor</a>, and enter the following enrollment code: SCDOR123. If you do not have an Internet connection, call 1-866-578-5422 to begin the enrollment process. The enrollment period ends March 31, 2013. After you enroll in the Protect MyID® Alert program, you will be notified about how to enroll your dependents in Experiân's Family Secure® program.

Also, please be aware that you can protect yourself against fraud and identity theft by placing a security freeze on your financial information. You can place, lift, or permanently remove the security freeze free of charge in South Carolina. When you place a freeze, someone who acquires your personal information will not be able to open new accounts or borrow money in your name. You will need to contact all three credit bureaus to place the freeze. Keep in mind that you will not be able to borrow money or get instant credit, new credit cards, insurance, cell phone service or other utilities until you temporarily lift or permanently remove the freeze, and that a freeze cannot be placed for children unless a credit file has been opened on them (which is usually a sign of fraud). Contact information is:

Equifax Security Freeze P.O. Box 105788 Atlanta, GA 30348 1-800-685-1111 www.freeze.equifax.com Experian Sécurity Freeze P.O. Box 9554 Allen, TX 75013 1-888-397-3742 www.experian.com/freeze TransUnion LLC P.O. Box 6790 Fullerton, CA 92834-6790 1-888-909-8872 http://freeze.transunion.com

We have been giving you information about the incident and how to protect yourself and your families in press conferences and newspapers, on TV and on the internet starting the moment law enforcement gave us permission to do so, and be assured that we will continue to do so. For more information on protecting yourself against identity theft, please contact the Department of Consumer Affairs at 1-800-922-1594 or visit www.consumer.sc.gov. For more information on the incident, visit www.sctax.org/security.

# It's time to tackle data privacy

nternet companies operating in the European Union had to begin compliance May 25 with a new data privacy law that requires internet providers to obtain the "informed consent" of individuals before requesting their personal data. It is a sensible rule, but it has exposed major problems that must be worked out.

The new General Data Protection Regulation puts Europe many steps ahead of the United States in addressing data privacy. All major U.S. technology companies, including Google, Facebook, Apple, Microsoft and Amazon, say they have been preparing to comply with the GDPR for months. That has cost them billion of dollars, according to U.S. Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross. Writing in the London Financial Times, he says the new regulation "creates serious, unclear legal obligations for both private- and public-sector entities, including the U.S. government. We do not have a clear understanding of what is required to comply."

Mr. Ross warns that the uncertainties could interrupt transatlantic trade in serious ways. For example, he says, "Pharmaceutical companies may not be able to submit medical data from drug trials involving European patients to U.S. authorities, which could delay the approval of new lifesaving drugs. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention could be restricted in sharing information with European counterparts while responding to the outbreak-of diseases such as Ebola. And the U.S. Postal Service believes the new rules will prevent EU postal operators from providing the personal data on individuals it needs to process inbound mail."

According to Mr. Ross, law enforcement could suffer because the GDPR will make it harder, if not impossible, to find out who is behind criminal and terrorist websites.

Mr. Ross makes the sensible point that GDPR should be reformed, not dumped. It also makes

sense that Congress should address the serious privacy issues raised by modern communications. Nothing like the GDPR exists in U.S. Law. When Facebook was disclosed to have allowed a contractor to use its subscriber data in highly questionable ways during the 2016 presidential campaign, Congress held several days of hearings. But since then it has been silent.

It makes sense for Congress to watch the Enropean experiment closely and learn from its strengths and weaknesses before proposing new legislation for the protection of Americans' online privacy rights.

A new data privacy law ought to go beyond ensuring that people are well informed about the uses of their personal data before they sign up for internet or other services. Congress needs to draw some bright lines around how information may be used, who can access details about individuals, and under what conditions.

There is much to be said for extending Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable search and seizure to many forms of personal information that now must be surrendered in order to receive essential services.

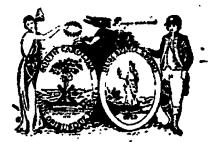
All valuable assets — like the personal that held by internet companies and the government — are subject to theft and misuse. The government still has a long way to go in protecting its files against hostile hackers, whether they be criminal gangs or foreign governments.

In addition, there have been well-publicized incidents in which sensitive personal information in the possession of the government was misused for personal or political reasons. On gress should set new, stiff penalties for violations of data privacy that apply not only to private individuals taking advantage of privatel owned data but also government employed and persons who knowingly publish protects privacy data.

The data privacy debate has gotten off to slow start, but the need for action is growir

## State of South Carolina

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#### South Carolina Ploodwater Commission

COMMISSION MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2019
FOUNDERS HALL - CHARLES TOWNE LANDING
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

#### **AGENDA**

.10:30	WELCOME – THOMAS S. MULLIKIN, GHAIR
10:40	TASK FORCE CHAIRS UPDATES
12:15	REMARKS BY GOVERNOR HENRY MCMASTER
12:30	LUNCH PROVIDED BY S.C. PRT
12;35	PRESENTATION BY (FORMER)-MAYOR JOE RILEY
12:45	PRESENTATION BY CHARLESTON MAYOR TECKLENBERG
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1:00	CEREMONIAL PLANTING – SWEET GRASS FOR LIVING COASTLINE
1:30	TOUR OF NEW CHARLESTON CANAL (OPTIONAL)